

Brief Report on the Closing of 1st Batch

SANTHINAGAR, Allagadda (Mandal) Kurnool (Dist)

Nature of Activity: Skill Development Training Centre (STC) – Batch – I (October, 2018 – March, 2019)

Project implemented by: Arnold Educational and Rural Development Society – AERDS, with the collaboration of SFIRD

Project supported by: Stichting Salvatoriaanse Gezinsadoptie - Netherlands

Back Ground: AERDS has been implementing a Skill Development program for Dalits and Backward Classes youth in Santhinagar Cluster in Kurnool district since 2nd of October, 2018 in a private hired building in Santhinagar. Totally 15 local Female in the age group of 17-40 were admitted to undergo 06 months skill development training session under the guidance of a well trained instructor. The girl Children dropout at Class – X (which is the School final) joined the training center and continue their training till the end of 06 months period.

The donor group namely; Stichting Salvatoriaanse Gezinsadoptie - Netherlands supported the Skill Development Training Center at Santhinagar Cluster. The Foundation approved and sanctioned the needed financial resources to start a Skill Training Center for 15 female youth from the beginning of October, 2018. After consulting the local leaders, we felt that it is appropriate to start the centre from 2nd of October, as the day is the Birth Anniversary of the Father of our Nation – Mahatma GANDHI. Accordingly the center was inaugurated and several local dignitaries attended and expressed their happiness towards starting the center which is quite useful for the female youth who are mostly dropouts from the educational sector owing to their poverty situation.

Locally available trained personnel were appointed to conduct the vocational skills. Training sessions were conducted between 9.30 am to 3.30 pm during 6 days a week. The following functionaries were appointed with different responsibilities and they were given the job description / responsibilities.

1. Mr. D. Siva Prasad – President / Coordinator of the center
2. Ms. Santhi – Tailoring & Handicrafts Instructor
3. Ms. Latha – Care Taker

The instructors prepared syllabus / action planes and submitted to AERDS. Accordingly, syllabus was covered in 6 months period and examinations were conducted at the center to qualify the trainees for issuing appropriate certificates which will be useful for their future. Only 15 of the joined trainees, female youth completed tailoring and handicrafts successfully complete the training courses.

The following trainees from different Villages in Allagadda cluster (mostly belonging to Dalit and Backward Class communities) successfully completed the Skill Development trainings and necessary arrangements were made to disburse certificates for their future usage.

Details of the trainees from batch - I:

S.N	Name	D/o, W/o	Age	Education
1	B. Kowsalya	Chennaiah	23	B.Com
2	J. Sandhya Devi	Chanti	35	5 th
3	O. Aruna	Ravi Kumar	35	5 th
4	V. Vijaya Surekha	Hari Krishna	25	BA
5	Y. Aruna Kumari	Manohar Raju	23	B.Com
6	M. Janbee	Khaja Hussain	32	5 th
7	J. Arunamma	Kishore	25	B. Com

8	M. Lakshmi	Lavanya	23	10 th
9	D. Sai Jyothi	Srinivasarao	22	B. Com
10	M. Pravellaka	Narasimhudu	22	8 th
11	S. Satyavathi	Veeranjaneyulu	40	7 th
12	A Vijaya Lakshmi	Gopalarao	38	10 th
13	S. Satyavathi	Prabhakar	40	7 th
14	R. Naga Padma	Anjaiah	37	7 th
15	P. Baby Sridevi	Srinivasarao	40	8 th

By-products of STC in the 1st half year:

- i. The STC premises was developed as Cluster Resource Center (CRC) for 15 – 20 Villages located in radius of 15 – 20 Kms from Santhinagar Village in Allagadda cluster.
- ii. A demo kitchen garden was established with local varieties of vegetables, green leaves and a few fruit and with 12 varieties of Medicinal / Herbal plants. The trainees took care during plantation, fencing, watering and safe guarding.
- iii. Trainees were mobilized and motivated towards promotion of kitchen gardens at their back yards. Seeds of local varieties were distributed and it was informed and observed that a few trainees had kitchen gardens at their homesteads.
- iv. Career guidance / counseling – 06 trainees of Tailoring and Handicrafts, who could not complete their school studies were provided with the needed information and additional tuitions to appear for the forth coming Government board exams. This will help them to get a certificate from Government.
- v. Trainees, under the guidance of the instructors, enthusiastically took part in making Cotton made bags and distributed to the people in the cluster and its surroundings – Say' NO' to Polythene bags as part of environment protection. This is to inculcate leadership development in them with "Team Spirit".
- vi. Established good relations with gross roots level Government functionaries and the Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) in Allagadda Cluster.
- vii. Approached Jana Saksharatha Samstan (JSS), a unit of Government HRD for obtaining certificates. But could not succeed for themselves (in the present batch) and made a way for the forth coming batch trainees.

As per the scheduled the 1st batch training program came to an end by the end of March, 2019. After having discussed with all the stake holders concerned, it was decided to conduct a Valedictory session for batch 1 on 31st of March, 2019 on the top floor (Terrace) of the STC center, Santhinagar.

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Action Photographs – Skill Training Center at Santhi Nagar by AERDS





